

FIG. 1A is a block diagram of an electric commerce system 100. The system 100 includes a communications controller 120, a data repository 125, and a company node 105. The communications controller 120 is connected to the data repository 125 and the company node 105. The data repository 125 is connected to the company node 105. The company node 105 is connected to a global communications network 115. The global communications network 115 is connected to a plurality of constituency nodes 110a-110n. The constituency nodes 110a-110n include media entities 110a, financial analysts 110b, financial services 110c, institutional funds 110d, individual investors 110e, commercial banks 110f, and other parties 110n (e.g., employees, vendors, customers, etc.). The global communications network 115 is also connected to a set of data storage devices 129a-129n. The data storage devices 129a-129n are connected to the communications controller 120 and the data repository 125.

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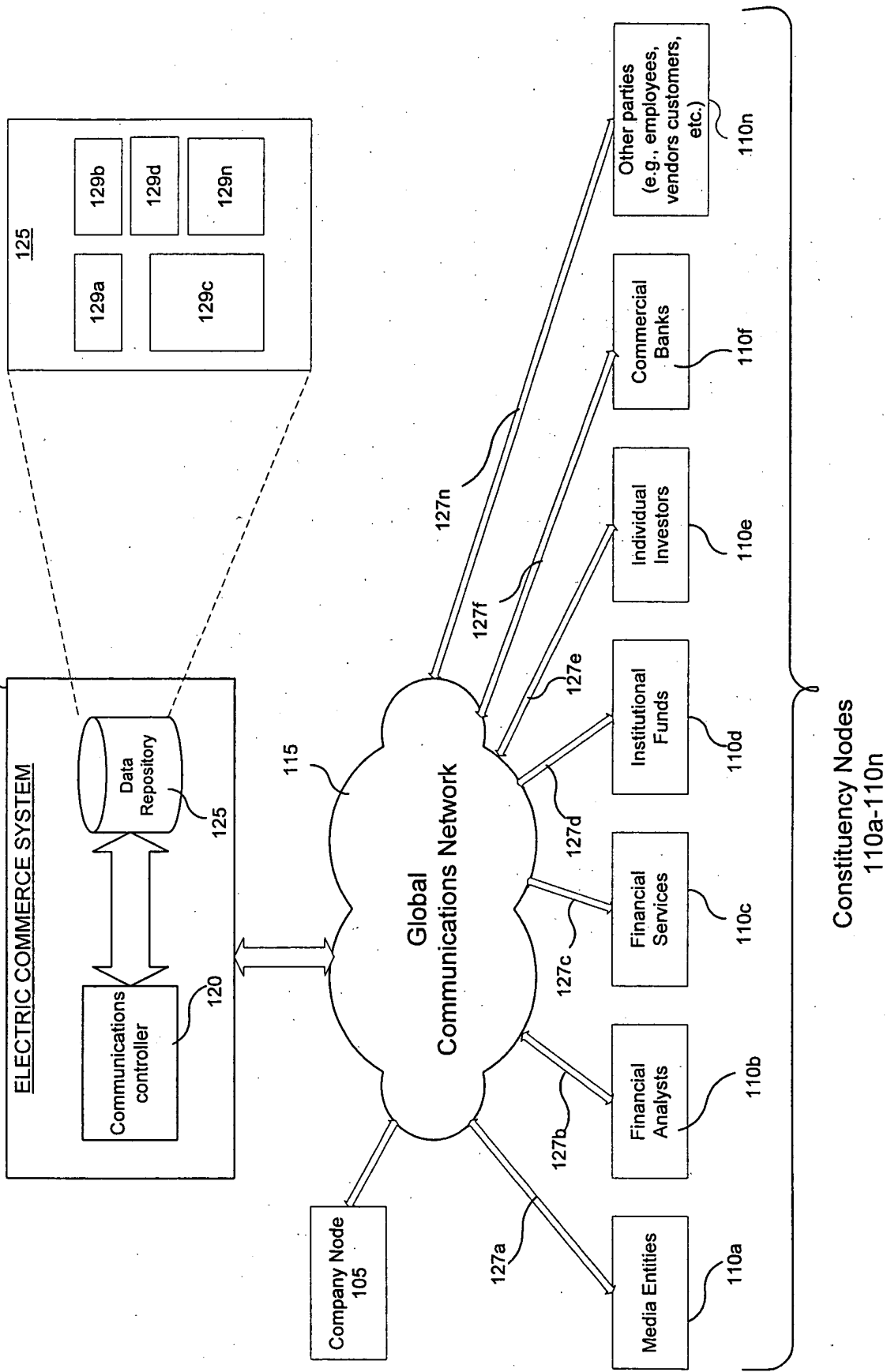


FIGURE 1A

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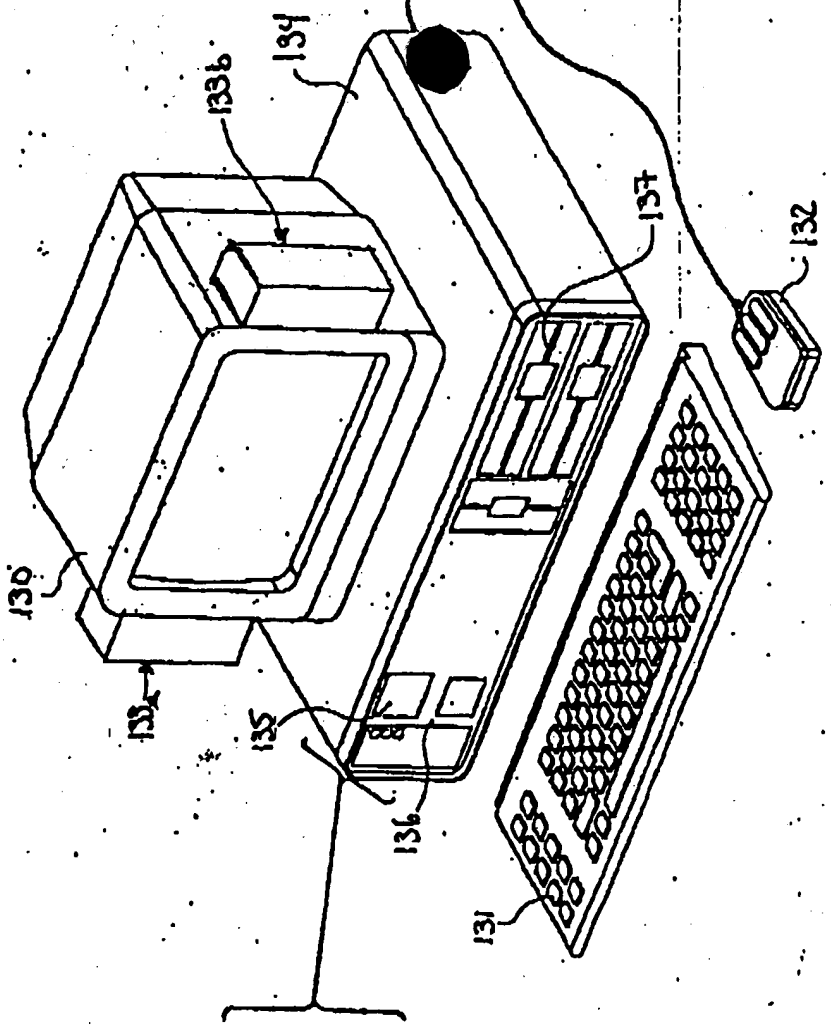
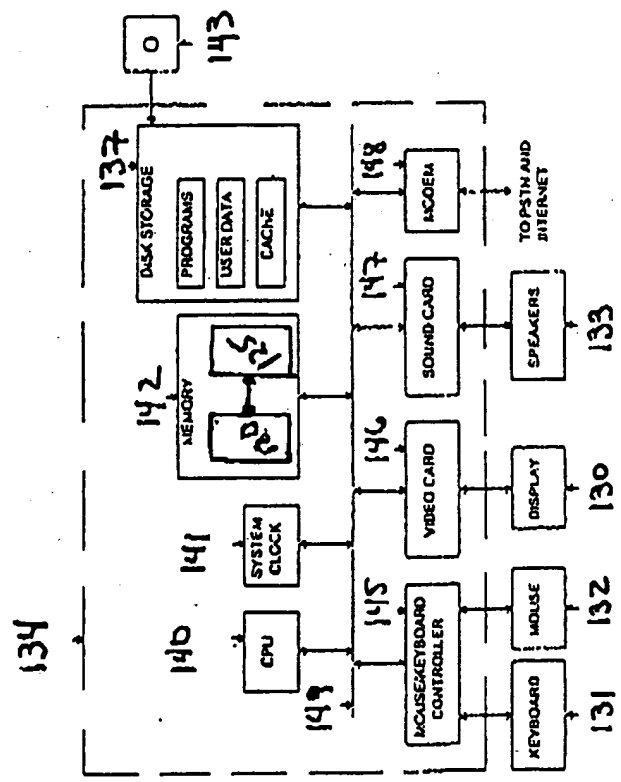


FIGURE 1B

FIG. 10C is a block diagram of a system architecture. The system includes a Client Application (Website) 115, a Web Server 150, a Database Server 151, an Intranet Server 152, and an FTP Server 153. The Client Application (Website) 115 is connected to the Web Server 150, which is connected to the Database Server 151. The Database Server 151 is connected to the Intranet Server 152, which is connected to the FTP Server 153. The Client Application (Website) 115 also includes modules for Order Entry 155b, Security Administration 155c, Global Community 155d, and Reporting 155e. The Intranet Server 152 provides Sales Tools, Marketing Tools, Billing, Business Intelligence Reporting, and Sales Commissions. The FTP Server 153 provides Downloads / Data retrieval.

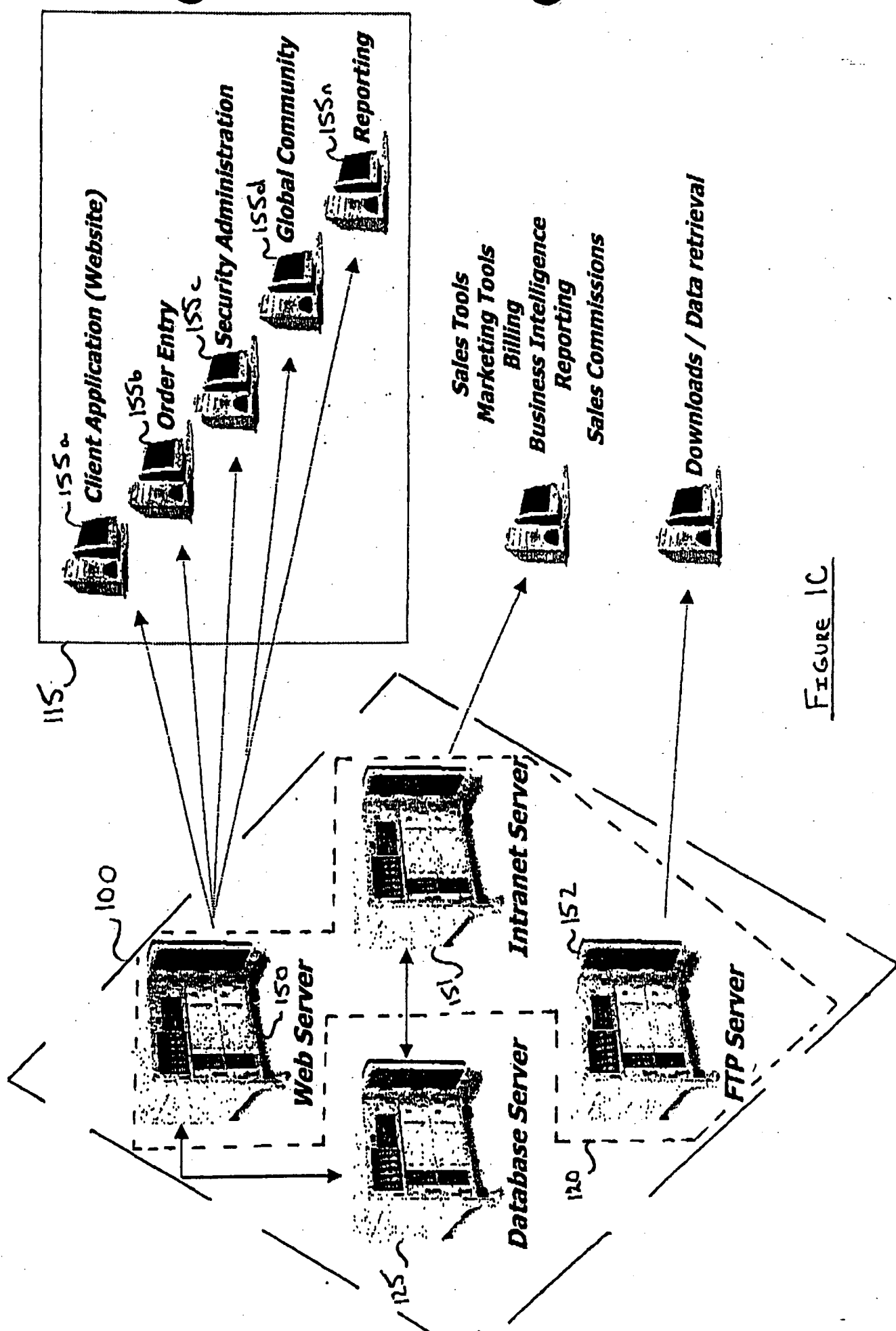


Figure 1C

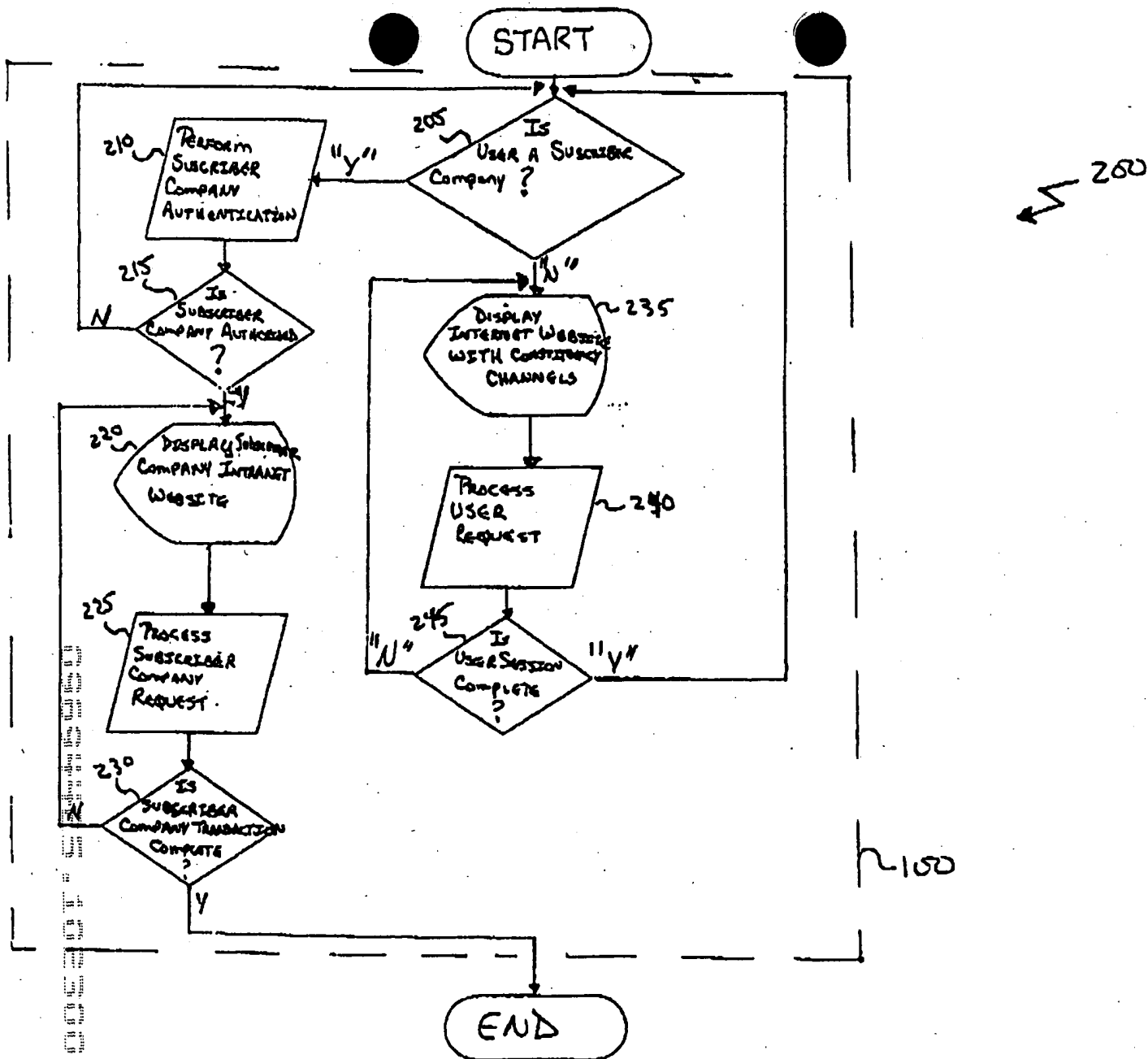


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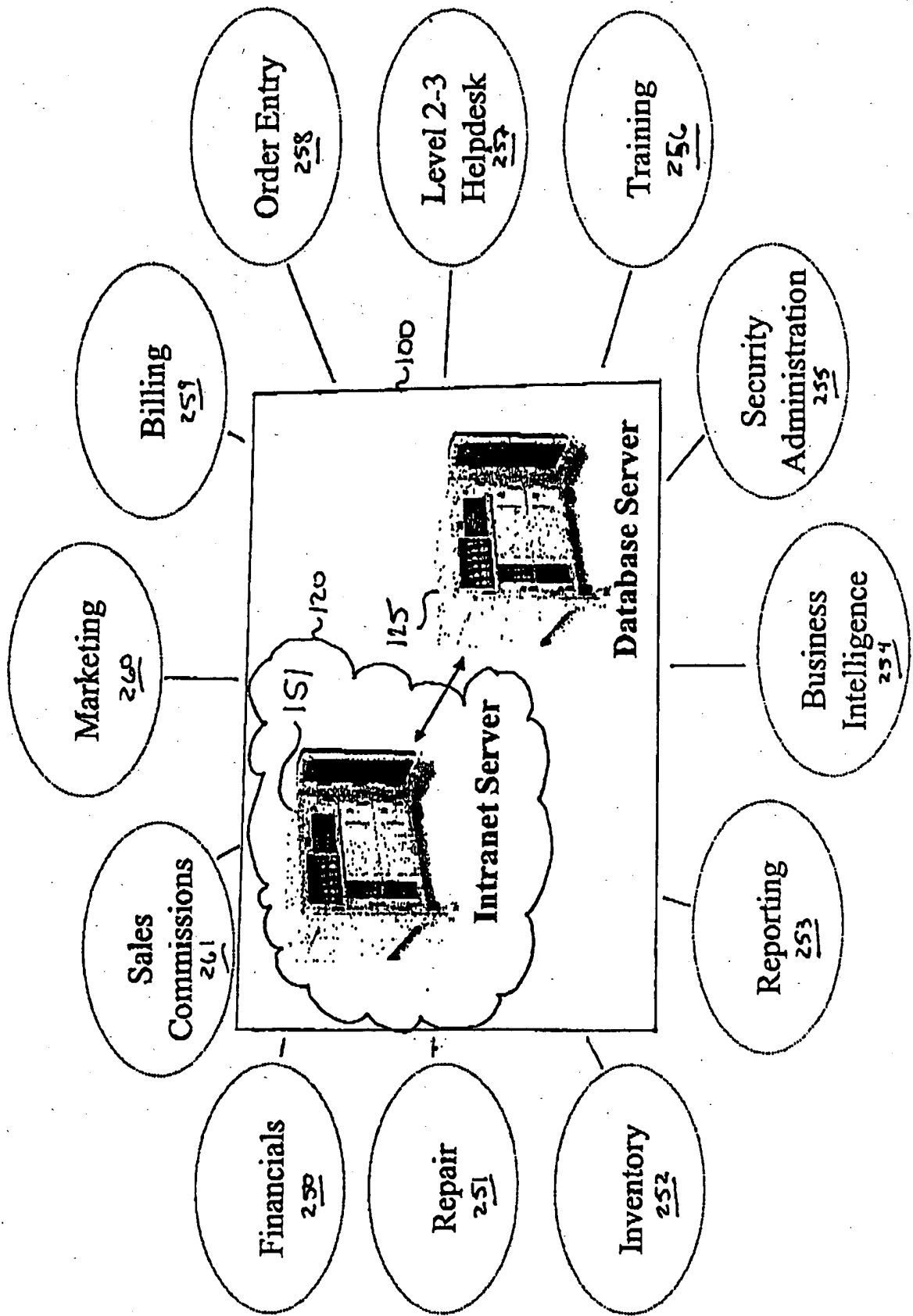


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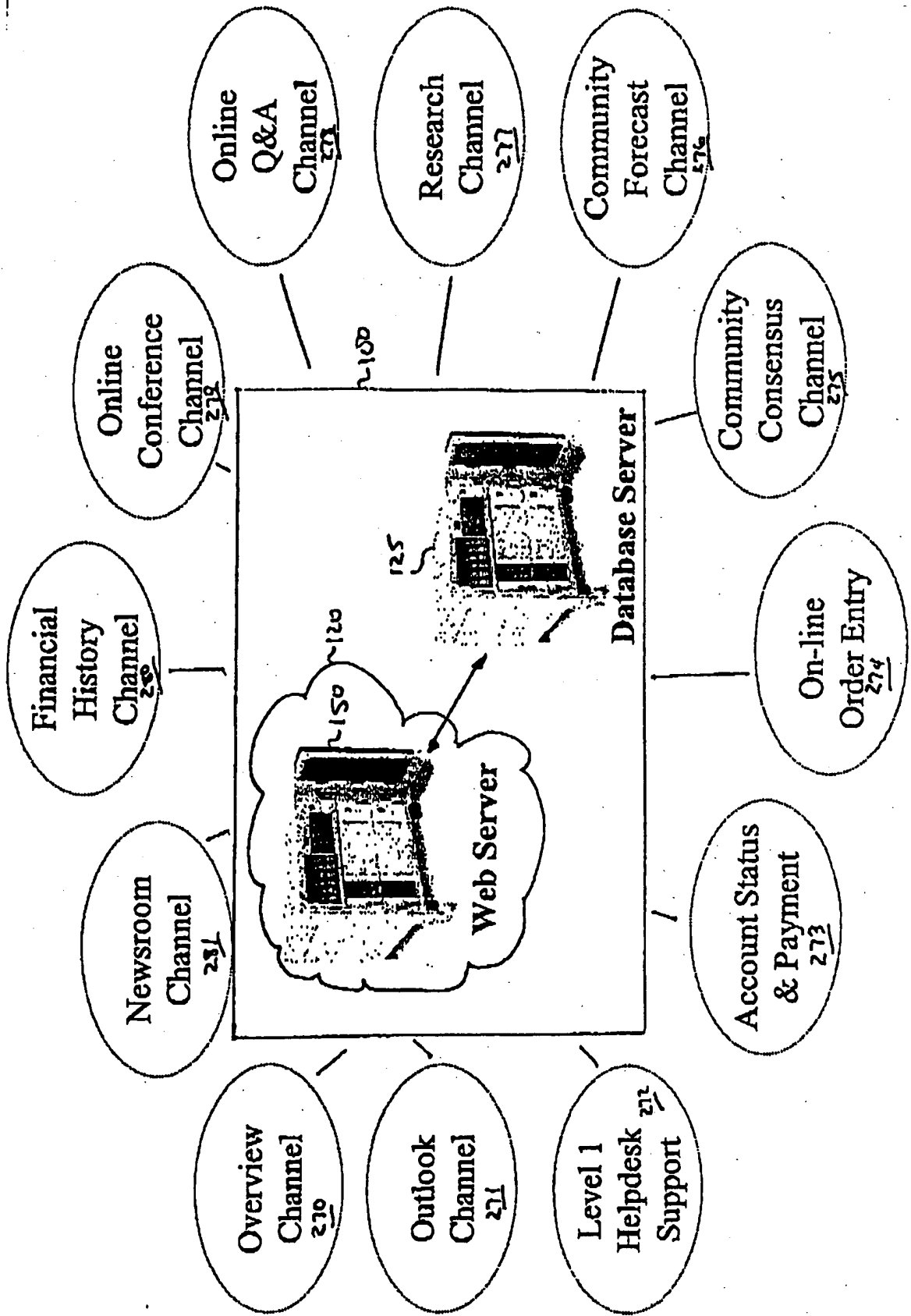


Figure 2C

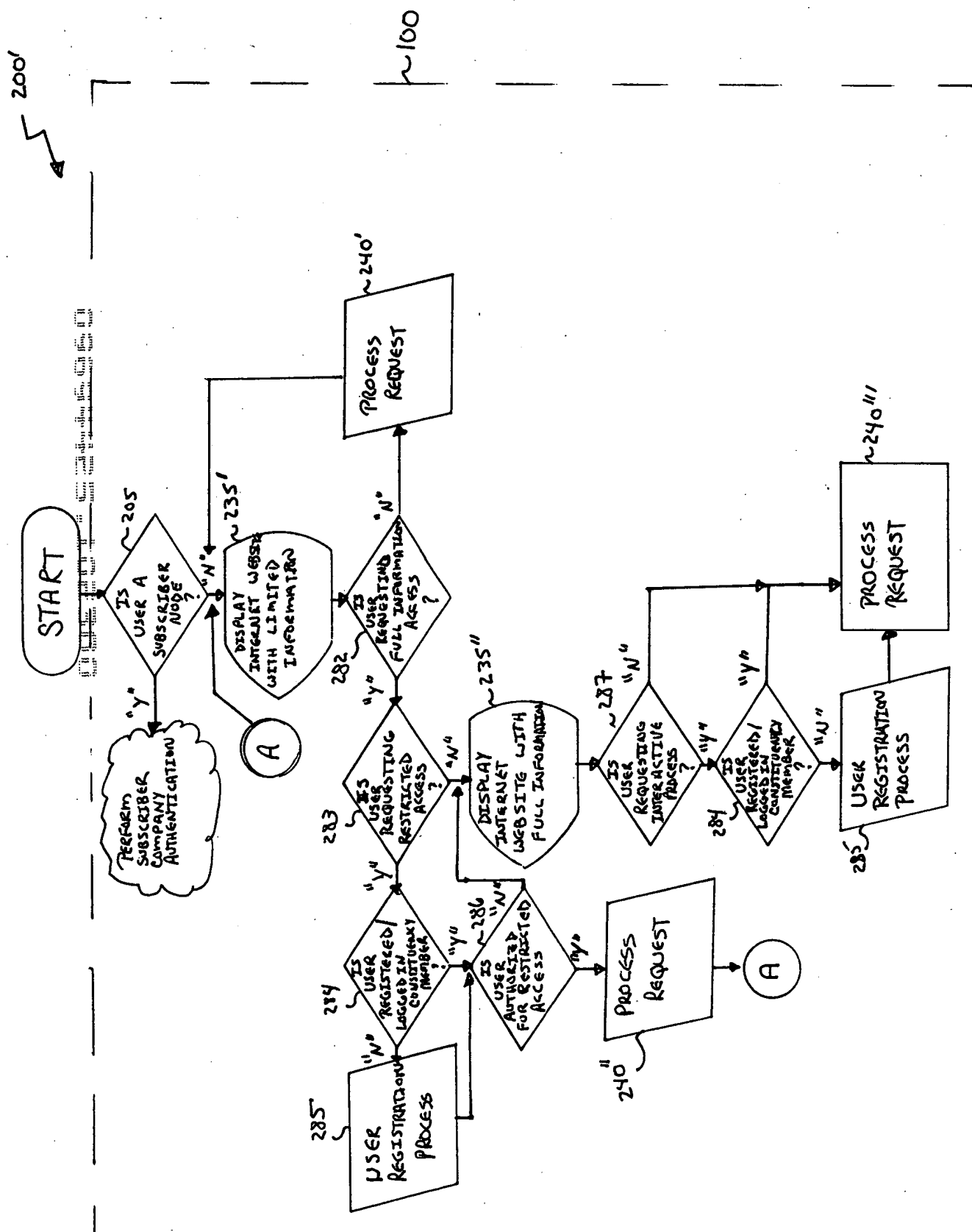


Figure 2D

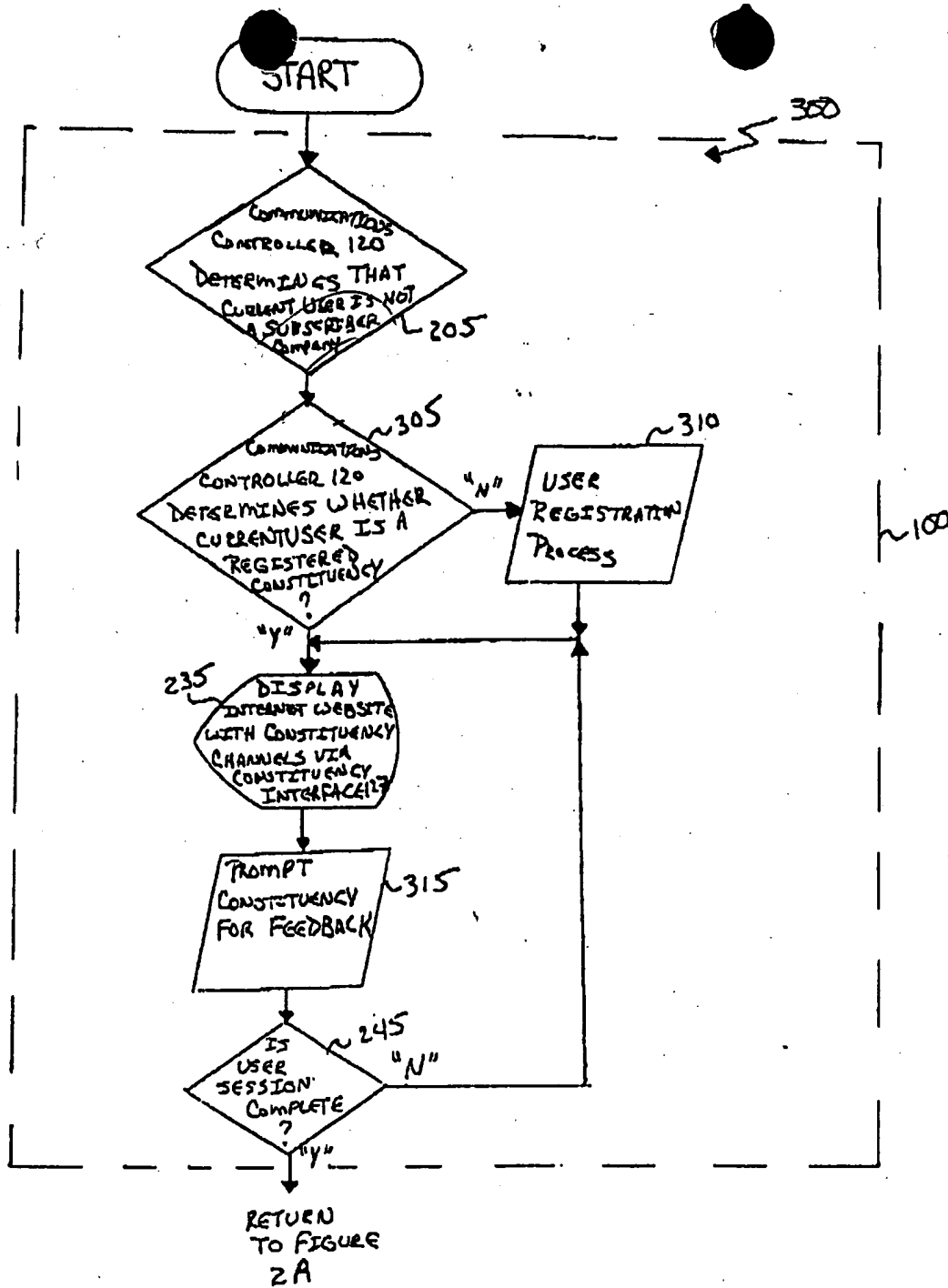


FIGURE 3A



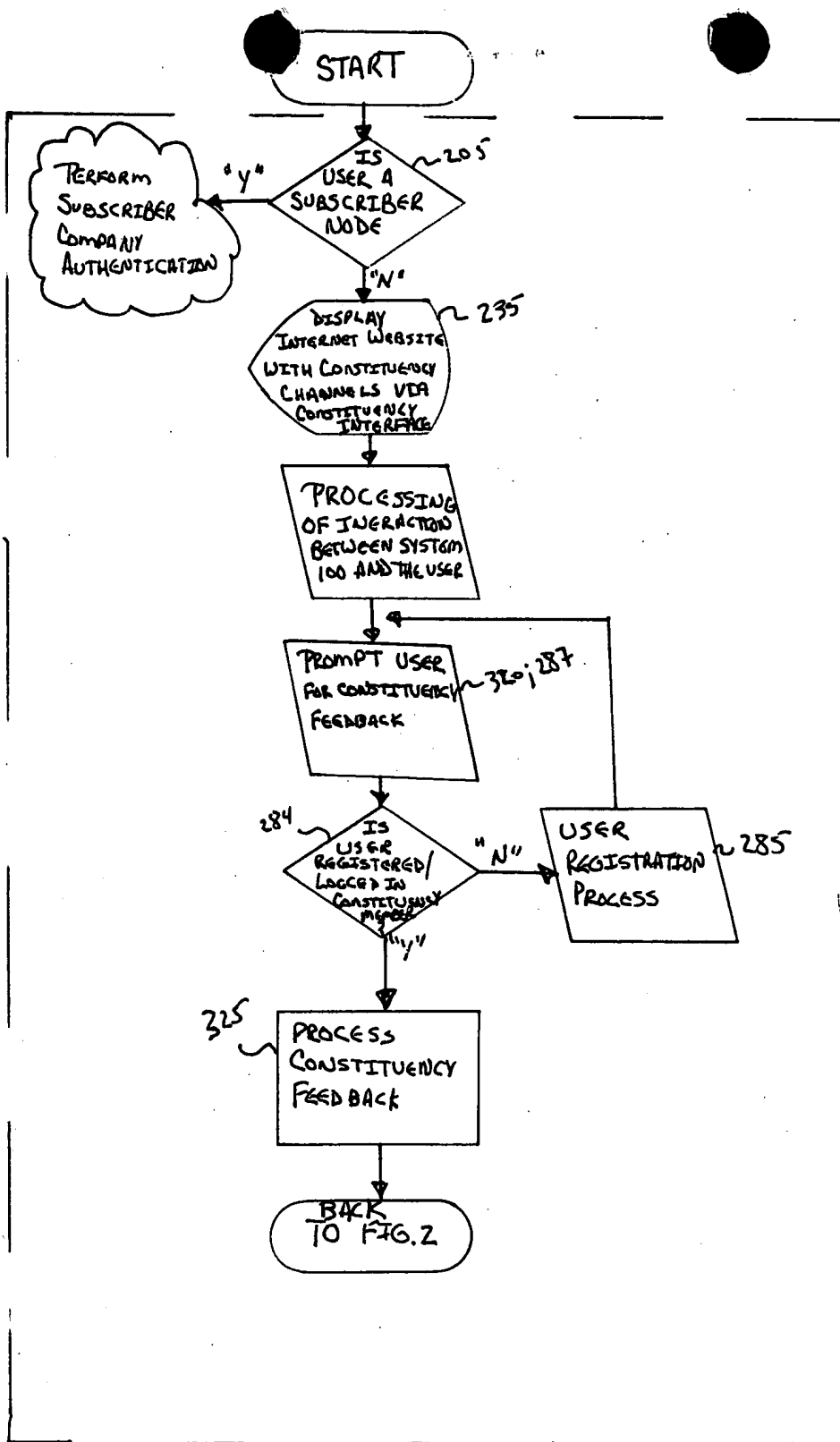


FIGURE 3B

TO/FROM PUBLIC  
TELEPHONE SYSTEM  
AND/OR INTERNET

MSC 440

431

422

105;110

WD

BS

401

421

105;110

WD

402

BS

105;110

WD

403

BS

423

WD

105;110

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FIGURE 4

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